

Indoor Plants Lend Color to Thanksgiving

What better way to decorate your Thanksgiving table than with all sorts of indoor plants? The answer, of course, there is no better way!

And some of the best plants for this purpose, recommends the California Association of Nurseriesmen, are the flowering azaleas, cyclamen and chrysanthemums. If you want a different type of decoration perhaps planters are your choice. Excellent in planters are the fairly low-growing Maranta kerchoveana; Light green marked with chocolate brown turning to emerald green—peperomia; an evergreen succulent usually, in many forms—philodendron; best known "planter" plant in many forms.

For height in a planter try the dracaena, a small shrub with long, strap-like leaves attached to the main stem in a circular manner. There are many forms of this plant.

Very lush and eye-catching for Thanksgiving table decorations are the Lady Mac Begonias. In the case of this begonia, and the case of the other flowering plants it is wise to order in advance so that your nurseryman can obtain your selections if he does not have them in stock. Foliage plants are more generally available at all times.

GARDENER'S CHECKLIST

1. This is a good time to prune most ornamental shrubbery.
2. We usually attempt to prune in such a way that the natural shape and form of a shrub is not destroyed.
3. Your nurseryman can make pruning manuals available to you which will give you detailed pruning instructions.
4. After pruning, give the whole garden a thorough clean-up spray. Your Nurseryman will advise the best material to use.
5. Mulch all shrubbery borders with steer manure.

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CRAZY ADS . . . Three foreign auto representatives visiting here for Thanksgiving thought that people in their countries wouldn't appreciate American advertising. Looking over some of the ads in the HERALD are John Boon, of Holland; John Whittaker, of South Africa; Jorgen Hog Madsen, of Denmark, and their host, Dave Daniels, of 2404 Reynolds Dr.

Visitors to Eat First Thanksgiving Dinner

Three foreign visitors to Torrance will eat Thanksgiving dinner for the first time today.

John Whittaker, of D'bin, South Africa; Jorgen Hog Madsen, of Copenhagen, Denmark; and John Boon, of Leyden, Holland, will sit down to a turkey dinner today at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Daniels, of 22404 Reynolds Dr.

All three are touring the country after attending a Ford Motor Co. international merchandising course in Detroit, Mich. It was there that they met Daniels, employee of a Hermosa Beach auto dealer, and he invited the trio to spend Thanksgiving in Torrance.

First Thanksgiving
 All Ford dealers in their respective countries, the three men will eat Thanksgiving dinner for the first time. None of their countries celebrate Thanksgiving, but all have local festival times which might roughly correspond to the old Pilgrim-founded holiday.

Madsen is hoping that he will enjoy his turkey dinner, since he noted, restaurant turkey he has eaten so far has been "dry as a bone."

The trio all were impressed by the friendliness of westerners as compared with residents of the eastern part of the United States. All liked the informal atmosphere of the west. Even western girls are more friendly than easterners, Whittaker and Madsen, who are bachelors, noted.

Winter Care Needed for Some Plants

"Now is the time for all good geranium and fuchsia enthusiasts to come to the aid of their plants," paraphrases the California Association of Nurserymen. For these two popular California plants — perennial and shrub — both require special winter care to insure their beautiful blooms in spring and summer.

The geranium (pelargonium) in its many forms reaches perfection in its growth in California, especially in the fog belt along the coast. In the interior valleys and in the southern-most inland areas of the state the tops and sometimes the roots of the geranium may be killed in the winter. Temperatures below 26 degrees are certain to damage this plant. When winter approaches gardeners in these danger areas, and over the entire state for that matter, should pinch and cut back to renew growth. Potted geraniums especially should have this cutting back.

As for fuchsias, they too profit by a heavy pruning each year after the last severe frost of your locale. Fuchsias flower on new wood each year and this severe pruning forces out new wood. Cut back all weak branches to the stem and the good branches to one or two pairs of dormant buds.

Root prune your fuchsias in pots to make the bush smaller and to give room for next year's growth. Prune roots in proportion to the branches which should be cut back to a simple framework.

These winter preparations made, gardeners can sit back and let winter come on, knowing that their geraniums and fuchsias will weather the season and bloom beautifully in spring and summer.

All were surprised at the high standard of living here.

Kitchens Better
 "Just compare the average American kitchen with one in my country," Boon declared. Americans, however, "don't take time to live," Boon noted, pointing out that the tempo of life here is much faster. The trio agreed that they liked American life generally and would not be averse to living here.

In a statement which would surprise many ministers, Madsen said that Americans generally go to church more than their European counterparts, who do not consider attendance necessary to be a Christian. He was surprised by the "welcome" signs on local churches and also surprised to hear prayers on radio and TV programs.

Take Course
 In Detroit, all three men studied merchandising. American advertising is "more severe" and offers more "gimmicks" than could be used overseas, they reported.

"Our people wouldn't go for that kind of advertising," Madsen said.

In Denmark, Holland, and South Africa, cars are not in as general use as they are here and American cars generally

cost more because import duties are higher.

The three men will spend Thanksgiving and a few more days here, returning to their homelands after touring various parts of the United States. All are associated with their fathers in the auto business.

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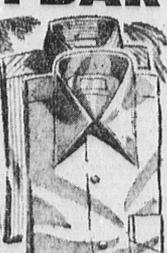
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